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### Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, May 2, 2022, at 3 p.m.

## House of Representatives

FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2022

The House met at 10:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia).

#### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> WASHINGTON, DC, April 29, 2022.

I hereby appoint the Honorable NIKEMA WILLIAMS to act as Speaker pro tempore on

NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Loving God, in these days when so much of our experience is of disunity and disparagement, coldheartedness and hatred, we pray Your guidance in our attempts to find unity in spirit and love for one another.

When all around us seems to encourage mean-spirited retorts and arrogant attitudes, may we be of tender heart and humble mind.

Give us courage that we would not yield to the desire to repay evil for evil or to even the score of abuse with even more abuse.

Rather, give us the wealth of faith to repay each insult, affront, indignity, barb, and slur, with blessing.

Cast Your eyes on the righteous, O Lord, and open Your ears to our prayIt is in Your merciful name we pray. Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to Section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR OF COMMITTEE ONTRANSPOR-TATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the chair of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, which was read and referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND Infrastructure, House of Rep-RESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, April 28, 2022. Hon. NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC. DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: On April 28, 2022. pursuant to section 3307 of Title 40, United States Code, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure met in open session to consider eighteen resolutions included in the General Services Administration's Capital Investment and Leasing Programs.

I have enclosed copies of the resolutions adopted.

Sincerely.

PETER A. DEFAZIO, Chair.

Enclosures.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, NORTHERN VIRGINIA

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 353,631 rentable square feet of space, including 11 official parking spaces, for the Department of Defense and several sub-agencies currently located at 2521 S. Clark Street in Arlington, VA, at a proposed total annual cost of \$13,791,609 for a lease term of up to 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution

of the new lease.  $Provided\ that,$  the Administrator of General Services and tenant agency(ies) agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 129 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

Provided that, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in

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